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TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains 25X1

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1. shuttle-trains and troop trains of the Kuestrin-Kietz railroad station between 18 and 27 July 1952:

Date in July	Composition of Trains	From	To
18	47 boxcars with soldiers	Gerdauen	Grassau (?)
19	47 boxcars with soldiers	Gerdauen	Frankfurt/Oder
20	37 boxcars with soldiers and 18 empty boxcars	Gerdauen	Frankfurt/Oder
22	38 boxcars with soldiers	Gerdauen	undetermined
	45 boxcars with soldiers	Gerdauen	Frankfurt/Oder
23	31 boxcars and 31 flatcars with troops	Kroepelin	Kietz
24	46 boxcars with soldiers and 12 empty boxcars	Gerdauen	Frankfurt/Oder
	15 boxcars and 28 flatcars with troops	Kroepelin	Kietz
27	16 boxcars with soldiers and 28 empty boxcars	Gerdauen	Frankfurt/Oder

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2. On 25 July, a troop train with 2 officers and 40 MM wearing redbordered black epaulets, with [] radio truck [] and 2 large double-tire vans was observed at the Pasewalk railroad station. The train came from the direction of Neustrelitz and proceeded toward Angermuende. (3)

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3. Special trains each of 1 coach and 13 boxcars transporting Volkspolizei units identified from the records of the 6th Subdistrict Office of the Berlin railroad district headquarters between 24 July and 8 August included:
From the Halle railroad district headquarters. One train to Torgelow, one to Prenzlau, and another to an unknown destination.
From the Dresden railroad district headquarters. One train to Finnow, one to Stralsund, and another to Pasewalk. (4)

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4. On 3 August, a troop train of 3 boxcars with soldiers, 5 boxcars with ammunition, and an undetermined number of flatcars carrying 18 x 80-mm AA guns passed through the Pasewalk railroad station. On the same day, a train carrying 7 150-mm AA guns and 1 x 80-mm AA gun arrived from the direction of Frankfurt/Oder and were unloaded by Volkspolizei. []

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5. [] troop trains [] on 6 and 7 August:

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<u>Date in August</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
6	5 boxcars, 4 converted boxcars and 12 flatcars	Haldensleben	Wildpark
	12 boxcars, 29 flatcars and 11 gondola cars	Wildpark	Altengrabow
7	14 boxcars and 28 flatcars	Wildpark	Altengrabow
	1 converted boxcar and 33 flatcars	Fuerstenwalde	?
	27 cars	Brand	Neubukow

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6. An order issued by the Soviet transportation headquarters to the Berlin railroad district headquarters stated that 54 converted boxcars and 6 boxcars were to be dispatched to Poland on 17 August. Furthermore, the train [] was to be made available at the Luckenwalde railroad station for the loading of troops on 8 August. (9)

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7. Troop trains observed at the Wustemark railroad station on 8 August included: A train from Luckenwalde to Neustrelitz, consisting of 10 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars with troops, 8 howitzers, 4 x 76.2-mm field guns with muzzle brake, 8 field guns without muzzle brake, and 23 trucks, []

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and a train of 5 converted boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars with troops, 18 x 57-mm AT guns and ammunition from Joesen,

to Binz on Ruegen Island (9). (10)

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8. On 9 August, a troop train of 12 boxcars with troops wearing redbordered black epaulets, and billeting equipment, and 35 gondola cars carrying 12 M 13 rocket launchers

was unloaded at the Eberswalde railroad station. (11)

9. The following numbers of Soviet military personnel were observed aboard leave trains in Frankfurt/Oder between 30 July and 2 August:

<u>Date</u>	<u>To Brest-Litovsk</u>	<u>From Brest-Litovsk</u>
30 July	170 and 180	250 and 250
31 July	160 and 190	240 and 230
1 August	180 and 170	250 and 260
2 August	190 and 170	270 and 250

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Comments.

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(2) The eastbound empty shuttle-trains 102 through 107 during the period from 14 to 17 July 1952 were previously reported

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Shuttle-train 115 reported in paragraph 1 of the present report was observed en route via Kuestrin and Falkenberg toward Jueterbog-Drewitz. Shuttle-trains 105 and 666 also mentioned in paragraph 1 were observed for the first time.

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The vehicle belong to the 32nd AAA Div (US) in Kuestrin. The train is probably identical with the 8th shipment in paragraph 1.

(4)

Two trains transporting Volkspolizei were observed on 22 and 24 July 1952; they passed through the 6th Subdistrict of the Berlin railroad district en route to Pinnaw. Elements of the VPD Eggesin are possibly stationed at Torgelow, which is one of the railroad stations mentioned in paragraph 3.

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The material unloaded probably belongs to the VP unit which was quartered in the barracks installation at Pasewalk in late July 1952. The previous location of this unit is undetermined.

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The loading of a troop train with artillery of the 7th Gds Tank Div and of another with troops of the 18th Mecc Div was also observed in Maldensleben on 6 August 1952. Probably one of the trains mentioned in the reference report went to Wildpark.

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- 25X1 (7) These two troop trains are part of the movement of the unidentified
 25X1 artillery brigade of the 34th Arty Div (US) from the southern sector of
 25X1 the Delius Kaserne, Potsdam, to Altengrabow. [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted] six troop trains have been observed since 2 August 1952. [redacted]
 25X1 (8) As Neubukow was the receiving station, it indicates that the train
 25X1 carried an AAA unit; probably elements of the unidentified AAA unit
 25X1 which moved from Brandenburg to Brand airfield in mid-April 1952.
 25X1 (9) All vehicle [redacted] mentioned in connection with the train from
 25X1 Luckenwalde to Neustrelitz belong to [redacted] the Second Gds Meez
 25X1 Army. Most of [redacted] were previously observed with the 9th Gds
 25X1 Tank Div. Probably a component of this division, which had moved from
 25X1 Neustrelitz to Luckenwalde on 2 August 1952, returned from the Jueterbog
 25X1 area. [redacted]
 25X1 (10) [redacted] ordnance depot of the GOFG at Jesson. [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted] shipments of ammunition to Gransee.
 25X1 (11) This troop train probably carried the same elements of the 312th Gds Regt
 of the Fourth Gds Meez Army which moved from Eberswalde to Lieberose on
 6 August 1952. [redacted]

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